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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Executive Board President Gerald Temoke, Tribal Chairman Elko Band Council 1745 Silver Eagle Drive Elko, Nevada 89801

Dear Tribal Members:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed change in policy:

Chapter 400 of the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) is the Medical Coverage Policies and Procedures for Mental Health and Alcohol/Substance Abuse Services. The chapter outlines covered benefits and provider standards for quality assurance. Currently providers under the Behavioral Health Community Network (BHCN) delivery model must develop, implement, and maintain a Quality Assurance (QA) program and report.

The proposed policy changes will clarify the requirements for the BHCN providers to identify and measure specific domains of quality and care and the requirements for the BHCN QA program and report. A Public Workshop was held on October 23, 2015.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact with the updates to this policy. The proposed revisions are further clarifying the policy.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Shannon Sprout at (775) 684-3732 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Marta Jensen

Acting Administrator

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